Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, We live in a world of precarious peace guarded by the ready strength of the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, The leadership of America's Armed Forces rests upon officers well versed in both formal education and the skills of their profession; and,

WHEREAS, The Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program provides military leadership for our country and offers financial assistance to college students; and,

WHEREAS, With Army ROTC scholarships and the Simultaneous Membership Program, ROTC has become a vital instrument in the officer production process for both the South Dakota National Guard, the Active Army, and the Army Reserve; and,

WHEREAS, ROTC challenges South Dakota's young men and women to embark upon the pursuit of excellence in both the programs of military instruction and academic study;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of August 30 through September 5, 1987, as

RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS AWARENESS WEEK

in South Dakota, and I personally salute South Dakota's ROTC for upholding a sense of value, a sense of scholarship, and a sense of tradition in a world where eternal readiness is the guardian of freedom.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Eighth Day of July, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE